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**Title:** Composite Structures and  
Methods for Ablating Tissue to Form  
Complex Lesion Patterns in the Treatment  
of Cardiac Conditions and the Like

**Group Art Unit:** 3737

**Examiner:** Casler

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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 are being brought to the attention of the examiner for consideration in connection with the examination of the above-identified patent application. Copies of the cited documents are enclosed. It is respectfully requested that the examiner indicate consideration of the cited references by returning a copy of the attached form PTO-1449 with initials or other appropriate marks, and that the references be made of record as cited references in the application.

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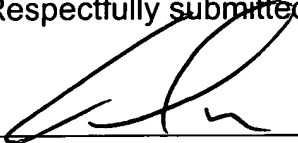
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